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Whereas his Majesty for divers good Causes and Considerations him thereunto moving, By his Letters Patents bearing Date the 29th of June Anno Dom. 1674. in the Six and twentieth year of his Majesties Reign, was pleased to give and grant unto his Dearest Brother James Duke of York several Countreys, Islands and Tracts of Land in America Part of which were since called by the Name of Nova Caesaria, or New Jersey, and was then in John Lord Berkeley of Stratton, and Sir George Carteret Knight and Baronet, who were both of his Majesties most honourable Privy Council, and in their heirs and Assigns: And the East Part or Portion of the said Province of New Jersey, by a certain Deed of Partition afterward made, became the Share of the said Sir George Carteret, his heirs and Assigns, and was agreed to be called East New Jersey, and was since Assigned to the present Proprietors. And whereas his Royal Highness James Duke of York, by his Indenture bearing Date the 1st day of March Anno Dom. 1683. the five and thirtieth year of his Majesties Reign (for which said Indenture see the said Deed of Partition) did give and grant unto the said Sir George Carteret, his heirs and Assigns, the Sea Coast and Hudsons River, from Little Egg Harbour to that part of Hudsons River which is in forty one Degrees of Northern Latitude, and other Ways Bounded and Limited, as in the said Grant and Confirmation, relation being thereunto had, may more particularly and at large appear unto James Earl of Perth, John Drummond of Londine, as also unto Robert Barclay of Vry Esq: Robert Gordon of Cluny Esq: and other his Majesties Loving Subjects in England, Scotland, and elsewhere, to the number of Twenty four Grants, and to their heirs and Assigns for ever, together with all Powers and Jurisdictions necessary for the good Government of the said Province.

His Majesty therefore doth hereby Declare his Royal Will and Pleasure, and doth straitly Charge and Command the Planters and Inhabitants, and all other persons concerned in the said Province of East New Jersey, That they do submit and yield all due Obedience to the Laws and Government of the said Grants, their heirs and Assigns, as absolute Proprietors and Governours thereof (who have the sole Power and Right derived under his Royal Highness from his said Majesty, to Settle and Dispose of the said Province upon such Terms and Conditions as to them shall seem meet) and also to their Deputy or Deputies, Agents, Lieutenants, and Officers lawfully Commissionated by them according to the Powers and Authorities granted to them: And of this his Majesties Will and Pleasure, the Governour and Council is Required to give publick notice; his Majesty expressing and Requiring forthwith a due Compliance with this his Royal Will and Pleasure from all persons, as well without the Province as within the same (whom these Presents do or may concern) as they will answer the contrary thereof at their peril.

Given at the Court at Whitehall the 23d day of November 1683. In the Five and thirtieth Year of His Majesties Reign.

To the Governour and Council of East New Jersey
for the same being, and the Planters, Inhabitants,
and all others concerned in the said Province.

By His Majesties Command,

SUNDERLAND.

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